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NOTE AND COMMENT

One of the great essentials in the making of a good westerner is the ability to see things in their proper perspective. Too many have come among us with the belief that life here is a kind of grand sweet song, that everything comes easy, that any one can get along no matter what his ability or his industry, and that he has only to wish for a thing to secure it. They lose sight of the fact that this is a very new country and that while it has all the advantages of a new country to offer it is bound to have the disadvantages as well. This much is certain, however, that no part of the earth's surface has ever made a greater rate of progress towards the realization of its possibilities than Western Canada has during the past decade.

At the present moment there is every indication that we have the best year in our history before us which is all the more welcome because, as we all know, we have during the past two had much to discourage us and much to shake the confidence of the new-comer. The lot of the pioneer is never an altogether easy one. All that leads the average man to enter upon it is the hope that future gains will make up for any toil and hardship which he may have to undergo in the present. But when we compare the experience of those who are opening up these western plains with that of the men and women who did this work for other parts of the continent, we appreciate how vastly more fortunate the former are.

A series of articles has been running in the Toronto Weekly Sun on pioneer days in Ontario, which proves very illuminating in this connection. One of them was republished in full in these columns some weeks ago. From another it is worth while making some extracts. The writer interviewed some of the old timers of the county of Simcoe, one of the most populous and prosperous in the province. Mr. Allan of Innisfil came to that neighborhood with his father in the early thirties. "There were at that time," he said, "only four houses between here and Barrie, a distance of eleven miles, and the Warnica home was one of the four. A man named McCausland at that time drove a mail stage from Barrie to Toronto, the journey occupying three days going and three coming. The place I am living on now was then a swamp—hemlock, cedar and black ash forming the covering. A lot of excellent timber was burned to get rid of it. When the mill started at Belle Ewart (the mill disappeared years ago) \$2 per M. was paid for the finest pine. Robt. Thompson had another mill on the seventh. A grist mill, run by water power, was established on the fifth about the same time. Mill and stream have both gone with the days that are past. At the beginning we could catch trout in a near-by stream that is part of the Nottawasaga river, but there have been no fish at all there these many years now.

"The work was hard then. Logging was man's work; so was cradling the grain and some remarkable feats were performed in old-time harvest fields. Bill Maynes, who is still living in Cherry Creek, cradled seven acres in one day. But we did accordingly. We had an early breakfast, lunch at ten, dinner, an early supper, and a late supper after dark.

"We had our disappointments, too. The first year I started farming, it was in '64, we had a late and very severe frost. Apples were frozen on the trees. From 33 acres of hay I gathered only ten tons. From seven acres of spring wheat I reaped 70 bushels. An acre of potatoes yielded me \$40 and that was about all the money crop I had that year. "Speaking of apples reminds me

of the old-time nurseries. There was one at Cherry Creek on the Reuben Matthew's place. T. McConkey had another at Gilford at a later date. It was all natural fruit, but even that was a luxury in the days when Innisfil was young."

Compare the above record of seven acres a day with what the farmer of the beginning of the 20th century can accomplish. We still dread frost in Western Canada, but it ceased to enter into the calculations of the Ontario farmer years ago. That it will soon become a negligible factor with us, with the growth of the area under cultivation, is certain. Apples with us are still a luxury. They are now one of Ontario's most valuable exports. Soon we may have enough apples to satisfy even Prof. Robertson.

There is no doubt that there is a great deal that should be grown in Alberta that is lacking simply because the people have not made the attempt on a wide enough scale. "H.D." writing from Beaver Lake to the Vegreville Observer has these very pertinent remarks to make: "Peggy, in the Saturday News, reporting on one of her suburban explorations, pays a just tribute to the beauty and excellence of Mr. Warner's farm at Gold Bar, on the Clover Bar road near Edmonton, and dilates with proper admiration on the crops of garden strawberries, gooseberries, red and white cur-

rants, asparagus and many other delicacies with which these progressive people surround themselves. She is quite right. I may mention in passing that all these adjuncts of civilized gardening flourished at Beaver Lake long before Peggy dreamed that she was destined to become the 'Woman of the West.' They flourish there yet. And the only reason why they are not found in every garden in the land is apparently the apathy of the majority of people and their Spartan indifference to their creature comforts. The country itself is in no way to blame."

A rumor is afloat that there is a decided possibility that Mr. R. B. Bennett M.P.P. will leave Calgary for an eastern city, the C.P.R. having made an offer to him to assume charge of its legal work there. In view of Mr. Bennett's standing in his profession, it would not be at all surprising if this report were later confirmed. But it would badly upset those who had been counting upon an occasional stir next session in the hitherto placid waters of the Alberta legislature. With Mr. C. M. O'Brien, the Socialist M.P.P. for Rocky Mountains doing his best to get into jail, the man who wants a little excitement with his politics may yet be disappointed.

That old saw about there being so much that is bad in the best of us and so much that is good in the worst of us never lacks for illustration.

Last week the fire that wiped out Hanlan's Point at Toronto produced a hero. A speller in front of one of the theatres rushed into the flames and rescued a young woman who fainted. He did so at the greatest peril to his life. Next day he was arrested for stealing a couple of suitcases from a hotel during the progress of the fire. The average novel pictures men and women either as saints whose halo has been left off purely by accident or as deep dyed villains. How many of us have seen anyone who answered to either description? Those whom we see about us are always mixtures of good and evil, strength and weakness. What person can examine his own character and not admit that this is true of himself. In some the good predominates and in others the evil but none have the right to throw stones.

A man named Sydney Fisher, not the Dominion minister of Agriculture, has written a book in which he states that "Canadians and all other British Colonists are still, at best, exactly what John Adams and Alexander Hamilton, over a hundred years ago described as political slaves."

The control of Great Britain over this country, says Mr. Fisher, is "far more absolute than it was over her American Colonies before they rebelled."

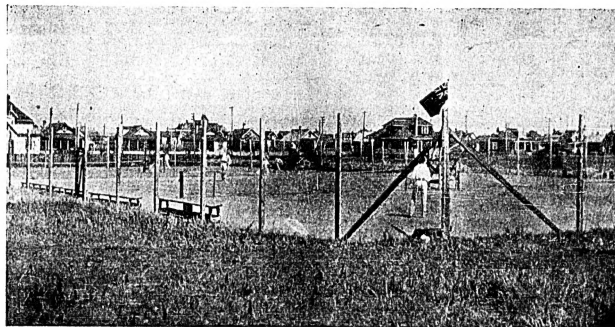
He must have a pull of some pro-

portions with his publisher to get this into print. Or do many of our friends in the country to the south really believe this?

We are so accustomed in this country to having the tariff question treated gingerly by politicians that it is with the greatest relief in the world we read the clear cut utterance which Governor Johnson of Minnesota made at the Seattle Exposition. As the answer of the West to the recent tariff legislation of Congress, it promises as one paper points out, to rank with the speeches that were made at Richmond when Abraham Lincoln was elected president. In the latter case, however, the call was to arms. In this it is to the assertion of ideas in a constitutional fashion. The fact that Governor Johnson has passed through Western Canada on his return from Seattle gives his epoch-making effort unusual interest here.

"It is time," Mr. Johnson declared, "that the West throw off the shackles of the East. Minnesota and Washington and the states between them with those of the South should rise in their might and claim for themselves their fair share of the influence in the halls of Congress." He claimed for the states west of the Mississippi the undoubted balance of power, no matter under what name the national administration at Washington exists. He described the cause he championed as "The Call of the West," for patriotism and progress, for emancipation from

The Alberta Tennis Tournament at Calgary



A view of the Courts during the progress of the finals in the open singles between Garrett and Holman. An extended notice of this successful event appears on another page.

every form of old world and new world caste and privilege, from the tyranny of wealth and birth, and alike from the domination of the Trust and the political machine. In eloquent terms that aroused the enthusiasm of his hearers he denounced the fifty years of national folly in the enactment of navigation laws and high protective tariffs, that had crippled American shipping and reduced the masses of the people to a condition of plutocratic servitude. He pointed to the 200,000,000 tons of registered shipping on the great lakes, the Mississippi river and the Pacific coast, and compared this proof of western enterprise and progress with the ninety per cent. of American commerce on the Atlantic carried in foreign bottoms. Then he called upon the western states to rise, assert their strength, not by armed strife, but with the power they possessed and right the greatest wrong ever perpetrated against a free people."

The enthusiasm which the speech has awakened, taken in conjunction with the wide-spread revolt against the Republican tariff policy on the part of Republican Senators and representatives from the Western states, has immense significance. It means that a very definite issue has been created for 1912 and that a man has arisen who will make the most of it. Governor Johnson undoubtedly is the Moses that the Democrats have been looking for. The manner in which western Americans of varied party affiliations and easterners who have been looking for a sane leader to deliver them from the high tariff bondage have responded to the call which he has issued with such dramatic forcefulness should not be lost on our own public men. We have not suffered in this country to the extent that they have in the United States but this is no reason why we should be satisfied with existing conditions.

JASPER'S NOTE BOOK

There does not seem to be any substantial reason why the radial railway agreement should not be adopted. There are those, of course, who believe that the municipality should try to do everything and who are urging that it should operate the radial lines just as it does the city lines. But it is certain that we have about as much on our hands now as we can satisfactorily look after. It is out of the question to embark on the construction of radial lines on our own account at the present moment. What we should decide, therefore, is whether it is better to have no radial lines at all till we can build them ourselves or let some one else build them for us. Under the circumstances I cannot see how a progressive citizen can fail to approve of the latter alternative. These lines will be a very large agency in the development of the city, giving the people the full advantage of the fertile and beautiful country which lies about it. Why wait, if we can get some body to carry out the enterprise for us on equitable terms?

A careful examination of the agreement leads to the conclusion that a good bargain is proposed. It is urged in some quarters that the sum which the company has to pay into the city coffers is inadequate. But it is not intended as a purchase price. Its payment is stipulated for merely as an evidence of good faith. It is by no means an unique experience for towns and cities to give financial aid to such enterprises. If the people behind this do have enough faith in the city to go ahead with it and if we derive large benefits from it, is it reasonable to suppose that they would be willing to pay a large sum for the terms which are being given them?

One very important consideration is as to whether the radial cars will interfere with the city's own system, making it less profitable. This has been guarded against by a provision

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Under the heading "there are
 limits" the *Vegreville Observer* says
 editorially:
 "Our cheerful friend, Bro. Cam-
 eron of the *Vermilion Signal* makes
 a kindly reference in last week's *Signal*
 to the recent addition to the
Observer's Editor's family circle.
 Bro. Cameron concludes his com-
 ment thus:
 "May the sun never cease to
 shower these small rays of sunshine
 on the revered house of Horton."
 While appreciating the kindness
 of the *Signal's* wish, and by no
 means despoiling the recent "small
 day of sunshine" yet it is quite pos-
 sible for sunshine to become too op-
 pressive.
 For a time a nice shady spot will
 do.

Being at the head of the ball
 league has its advantages. The
 other day the mayor and the ex-
 mayor of Medicine Hat organized
 teams for a game. The former won
 and the people had to stand a col-
 umn or so of this in the next week's
 paper.
 Hot and red with dust and playing
 Were the eyes of Cousinbill.
 As he came forth from the ball
 grounds
 On the pleasant summer evening.
 All the birds were singing gayly,
 And the breezes blowing fresh
 But the heart of Cousinbill
 Was like lead within his breast,
 As he wandered up the railway
 In the early summer evening.
 With his hat and chest protector,
 With the score sheet in his mind's
 eye.

Till he reached a certain wigwam,
 Reached the lodge of Cousinbill,
 Silent was it, and deserted;
 No one met him at the doorway,
 No one came to bid him welcome;
 But the fans were there before him,
 In and out and round the doorway,
 Laughing, jeering, poking fun,
 And aloft upon the ridge-pole
 Porched the long-tail large and wiry,
 Sat with fiery eyes and screaming,
 Spat and howled at Cousinbill.
 "All are gone; the lodge is empty."
 Thus it was spoke Cousinbill.
 In his heart he wished revenge.
 By the neck he seized the tom-cat,
 Whirled it round him like a ball bat
 Like a catcher's glove he shook it,
 Strangled him, who spat upon him,
 From the tennis near the wigwam,
 Left its lifeless body hanging.
 For the insult to his master,
 A lesson to all else.

Then he hid him to the club house,
 Penned a letter full of wrath,
 Said he had been cheated foully
 By the umpires, Bens and Bins,
 And another game he wanted.
 Hard his breath came through his
 nostrils,
 Through his teeth he buzzed and
 muttered
 Words of anger and resentment,
 Hot and burning like a hornet.
 Mine and Fleming then came to
 him,
 Came and argued worldly wise,
 Said soft things and bought some
 drinks then;
 And with laughter fled his anger.
 As they told him how wampum came
 in.

To the coffers of the hall men
 For the mighty Billyhama.
 The hot weather poet is doing his
 worst. The Medicine Hat bard has
 rivals all over the country. The
 American government recently ap-
 pointed a gentleman named H.
 Scarr as weather forecaster at New
 York and this is what appeared in a
 metropolitan daily:

The news has travelled far
 That Scarr
 Is now to be Manhattan's weather
 czar.
 At first there was a rather percep-
 tive jar
 When Scarr
 Was vested with the garment titular.
 But now we learn in general and
 particular
 That Scarr
 As prophet is quoted over par.
 No more will August rains bring on
 catarrh
 With Scarr
 To tell us.
 The biting blasts of Feb. and Mar.
 By Scarr
 Will be wiped off the calendar.
 And, Siriously, the dog day star
 Is Scarr
 Will meet its avatar.
 While as for winter's snows—ah! See
 Scarr
 Wave his prognostic scimitar.
 Furthermore, observe him scientifi-
 cally spar—

Meaning Scarr—
 With those hurricanes that terrorize
 the tar.
 In short, on Sabbath day and secular
 J. H. Scarr
 Will be on the job regular.

A friend was telling me the other
 day that one of the things he liked
 most about his trip to the Seattle
 fair was the good music diet he
 heard at meal-times. It stimulated
 his appetite and he wished there
 were some hotels near home big
 enough to make the innovation. He
 says he doesn't claim to be a mu-
 sician either. If he did, he might
 think otherwise. In Jerome K.
 Jerome's "Diary of a Pilgrimage"
 which shows the danger of mixing up art
 and gastronomy:
 "All through our meal," writes
 Mr. Jerome, "we had to keep time
 with the music."

"We ate our soup to slow waltz
 time, with the result that every
 spoonful was cold before we got it up
 to our mouth. Just as the fish
 came, the band started a quick
 polka, and the consequence of that
 was that we had not time to pick
 out the bones. We gulped down
 the white wine to the Blacksmith's
 Galop, and if the time had lapsed
 much longer we should have been
 blind drunk. With the advent of
 our steaks, the band struck up a se-
 lection from Wagner."

"I know of no modern European
 composer so difficult to eat beef
 steaks to as Wagner. That we did
 not choke ourselves is a miracle.
 Wagner's orchestration is most try-
 ing to follow. We had to give up
 all idea of mustard. B. tried to eat
 a bit of bread with his steak, and
 got most hopelessly out of tune.
 I am afraid I was a little bit myself
 during the Valkyries' Ride. My
 steak was rather underdone, and I
 could not work it quickly enough.
 "After getting outside hard bo-
 stek to Wagner, putting away po-
 tato music to the garden music out
 of Faust was comparatively simple.
 Once or twice a slice of potato stuck
 in our throat, during a very high
 note, but, on the whole, our render-
 ing was fairly artistic.
 "We rattled off a sweet omelette
 to a symphony in G—no, E, or else
 K—I won't be positive as to the
 precise letter, but it was something
 in the alphabet, I know—and belted
 our cheese to the ballet music from
 Carmen, after which we rattled
 about in agonies to all the national
 airs of Europe."

No wonder Lethbridge is forging
 ahead. Here is an editorial
 note from the Herald:
 "Irrigation is varied in this dis-
 trict. When the dry land needs
 water nature showers rain upon us;
 when water is needed on the ir-
 rigated lands the gates are opened
 and it flows over the fields, and when
 the people are dry the 'Alberta
 Pride' irrigation system is at their
 service."

"Being twins," is an amusing, not
 to say a confusing occupation.
 When twins are old enough to tell
 each other—and themselves—apart,
 (For guards are the saved a great
 deal of trouble. At an early age
 there is apt to be considerable con-
 fusion. The following tale is told
 of a benevolent old gentleman who
 stopped a nursemaid wheeling two
 similar-looking infants in a baby
 carriage.
 "Ah, twins!"
 "Yes, sir," replied the girl.
 "Both boys?"
 "So," said the old gentleman,
 "How do you tell them apart?"
 "Which is which?"
 "This one," said the nurse, point-
 ing, "is this and that one is that."
 "Dear me," said the old gentle-
 man, "how very interesting! But,"
 he added, indicating the second one,
 "might not this one be this also?"
 "It might," said the girl after a
 short pause. "Then, of course, that
 one would be that."
 "Well, then," said the old gentle-
 man, "how do you manage to sepa-
 rate them?"
 "We seldom do, but when we
 want to we put one in one room and
 the other in another."

"Do you, indeed? Which one do
 you put in one room?"
 "Sometimes this one and some-
 times that."
 "How do you know which one
 you're putting in which room?"
 "We look and see which is in the
 other room, and then we know the
 other is in the which room."
 "Very good," said the old gentle-
 man, turning up the problem
 "but if one of them was in the
 house and the other was away some-
 where, would you be able to tell
 which was in the house?"
 "Oh, yes, sir," said the girl earn-
 estly. "All we would have to do
 would be to look at him, and then
 we would know that the one we saw
 was the one in the house, and then,
 of course, the one away somewhere
 would be the other. There are only
 two of them, you see, which makes
 it very easy."

The benevolent gentleman then
 passed on.
 Nell (seriously): Between the
 rich old man I don't love and the
 poor young man I do love I am
 between two horns of a dilemma
 Belle (happily): Then take the
 horn of plenty.

The Doctor: "Nonsense! You
 haven't got a cancer. Boogie was what
 nails you. You must stop drinking
 at once." The source: "Gee! Is it
 that serious? Why, doctor, I thought
 it was some simple thing that could
 be helped by an operation."

The old landlord of a small country
 inn was sitting listlessly before the
 fire in the bar when the door
 opened and a loud-voiced young fel-
 low exclaimed:
 "Hallo, grandad! Get your frame
 in circulation! Don't sit round here
 day after day with a woe accom-
 panied for man and beast."
 "Where's the man?" asked the old
 landlord in a flash. "Tit Bits."

Love in Two Keys

"I wonder," he thought, as his
 gaze traveled slowly over the pho-
 tograph again, "if Marian is going to
 let that foot notion wreck our lives.
 Thinks the world is decadent, and
 that there is no more chivalry or
 heroism." Well, heroism isn't as
 spectacular as it used to be when
 people went rattling around in boiler-
 plate armor, but, by George, I've
 seen Sir Galahad in a dress suit in a
 swell club, and I've watched men
 meet their Waterloo in the street
 with an unflinching courage a Napo-
 leon might have envied."

To his surprise, he heard his sigh
 echoed, and, turning around, beheld
 Mickey, his office boy, staring at
 him with sympathy written in every
 line of his ugly, wizened face.
 "Say, boss," broke in the boy,
 "without giving Allison time to
 speak, 'yer ain't got no grouch
 'bout me coming in here, is you? I
 ain't doin' no gum shoe business.
 I'm on de level, but I seed you was
 down on your luck, an' I wanted to
 pass you de glad hand, 'cause dat's
 de way you shoulda when I put de
 slag pile. Say, maybe 'ye got an-
 other guess comin', but de way I
 frames it up, your study is done
 traveled you down. Mickey, me
 boy," says I to myself, 'it's dat swell
 doll what de boss has got de picture
 of in his deak, an' she's de home de
 marble like, an' she's de dead sore.
 An' I next!"

Allison looked at the lad curiously.
 "Where do you lose out?" inquired
 Mickey, with unabashed directness.
 "On," returned Allison, "she has
 a contempt for men who spend their
 time making money, and she wants
 somebody who lends a charge on the
 enemy in battle, or does something
 grand and spectacular like rescuing
 a beautiful maiden from the brig-
 ands, or something like that, you know."

"Say, boss," said Mickey, "I guess
 women is all out of de same bolt
 of calico wedder dey lives up on Fift'
 avenue or down on Avenue A. Your
 got passes you de icy mitt
 because she's got 'goin' 'bout some
 crazy notion, an' Maggie, what's de
 bunch of goods I been savin' me
 plans to tie up wid, hands, me de
 cold deal 'cause I ain't got de stool,
 and de dude langwidge like de Lord
 Reginald's like de fly mugs what she's
 radin' bout in de deam books
 what she gets up to de Settlement."
 "We are both in the same boat,"
 Allison replied, and then, by way of
 comforting the lad, whose hard face
 was quivering with emotion, he
 added, "but we can stand up and
 take our punishment like men,
 Mickey, without whining."

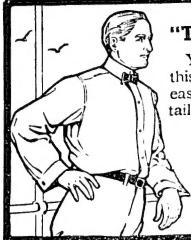
"That's me," responded Mickey,
 and as Allison rose to bid him good-
 bye, he added, "I'll hold his coat
 for him, and together they
 stepped out into the hall and made
 their way toward the elevator."

As they turned the sharp angle of
 a corridor they both stopped, rigid
 with horror. A great blinding swirl
 of smoke had caught them, and over
 the transom of a door at the further
 end of the passageway a long tongue
 of flame was licking. The building
 was on fire.

"Boss," said Mickey, his face
 white and set, "I used to run an el-
 evator before I came to you, an'
 I'm goin' to run dis dump wagon
 for all she's worth. If—if I gets it
 in de neck you'll look after Maggie,
 'cause she's—"

"I'm with you on this; we'll fight
 and live or die together, my boy."
 "Let her go," Mickey whispered
 as he sprang to the lever. Up and
 up the car shot to a floor where a
 group of white-robed people, their
 only escape cut off by the flames,
 were huddled by the elevator with
 hysterical words of gratitude.

"Thank God!" said Allison as he
 gathered in the last of the terror-
 stricken people. "Everybody is
 saved at last."
 It was many months of pain and
 suffering for them both before AL-
 lison and Mickey again sat in his
 office and took up the thread of their
 former conversation.
 "And so," said Allison, "Maggie
 thinks now that you're in the
 same class of heroes with Lord Regi-
 nald, and you're to be married."
 "That's right," replied Mickey,
 and then he added slyly, "But I
 didn't run that elevator to square
 myself with no girl. I did it be-
 cause something here seemed to
 say: 'Mickey, God made you a man.
 Don't wetch on the job.'"
 "Same here," responded Allison.
 But you and de loidy what's de
 good looker?" inquired Mickey.
 "I made good, too," answered
 Allison with a radiant smile.—Chi-
 cago Farmer's Journal.



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CITY VESPERS.

By Edith Watt.

Come home, my child, come home.

The fogs are falling:

Along the blue-walled street the

whistles calling:

Along the street ten thousand foot-

steps falling.

Through steam and smoke-wreath's

foam.

Bells cry afar: afar the darkness

winging.

Sours throbbing with the chiming and

whistles ringing.

The breath of night, the twilight

city, singing:

Come home, my child, come home.

Look fast the locks, drop down the

shutters shading.

From shop and counter, counting

house and trading.

From dockyard, stock-yard, derriek,

crane, and lading.

From caisson, clay, and loam.

Come home, my child, come home,

in many-chording

And rushing voice, the city sings-

from hoarding.

From spending, grudging, judging,

and recording.

Come home, my child, come home.

Come from disgrace and honor, craft

and scheming.

From work and shirking come-

from deed and dreaming.

Success and failure where the lights

are streaming

Azure and chrysolite,

Yellow and crystal, where the mists

are falling.

The yard-bells ringing, engine whis-

ties calling.

"Just got home last night; crops

are looking fine. Had a slight frost

down South though."

"Saw the potatoes were black-

ened in places."

"Reverends a votre pommes de

terre, which are getting frigid

enough to freeze below stairs," I

call up, "and let the frozen potatoes

bury their dead. I'd like to get dinner

over with." An hour later

though, as a friend drops in, they

are at it again.

"By jove, it's awful," the New

Arrival explodes, "this sitting on

tender books studying the turn of

the sun and temperature. Why, if

this year's crops go back on us,

thirty per cent. of us will go up in

bankruptcy."

"Ain't it awful, Mabel," I

whack on the piano, in desperation.

"I'm afraid to go home in the dark"

for fear it'll rain and hurt the dear

crops."

It's a phantom, a mar-joy of places

that are pleasant, and a veritable

spectre of terror when the night

descends, this Crop Thing, that dogs

us, from the time the fields break

up and tender, till the heavy

yellow heads fall victim to the

reaper. It invades the quiet of an

afternoon Bridge and the sun shin-

ing overhead suggests it as you walk

to church. "He" recurs to it as

he turns the light out last thing at

night, by a farewell look at the

stars, and the first peep of day finds

him at the window, to give forth

his ultimatum on what we may ex-

pect the day to bring forth.

Indeed, the city dweller is

strangely and irresistibly conscious

Young Albertans, No. 21



Photo by Burk

Cleo Sheffield, Donald street. Age 3 years.

Along the street ten thousand foot-

steps falling

Come through the dark-blown

night.

Where tall-piled height and dusky

cornice lower

On storied citadel and tall-crowned

tower.

Corner and curb a million are-lights

flower

Full in the twilight air.

If all the footfalls spoke the destina-

tions

Of all the dreams of all the genera-

tions

Upon their way, all shames, all as-

pirations

Would find their kindred there.

Here steps your fate, my child, your

generations

That walks through time to come

far consummation

Unknown along the blue street's

destination

Through fog and smoke-wreath's

foam.

Here flies your life, for worse or

better winging

And pausing, with the bells and

whistles ringing.

The heart of night, the full-throated

city singing:

Come home, my child, come home.

Collier's Weekly.

For a month now, it has seemed

as years, the principal topic of con-

versation in my immediate circle has

been the crops. How they are com-

ing on, when they were planted,

what such and such a day will do

for or against them, what a failure

would mean, what a bumper har-

vest!

The thing does you, go where you

will.

You are sipping iced lemonade on

a cool verandah, happy in having

escaped from the issue, when your

companion, blowing rings from a

fragrant cigar, dreamily volunteers

"This has been a perfect whale of a

day for the crops."

During dinner the 'phone rings,

and himself conducts a conversa-

tion something along these lines:

"Yes, I was at dinner; but it

doesn't matter in the least.

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WITH THE INVESTOR

The harvest outlook continues very bright. From all over the west encouraging reports come. By the time that this issue of the Saturday News reaches most of its readers cutting will be general. The damage that has been done to the crop up to the present, from any cause, is at a minimum. So far as Alberta is concerned, the situation is all right in an article which appears elsewhere in this issue giving a staff writer's observations made during a trip through the province. Perhaps the most advanced district in Alberta, and one of the most advanced in the West, is that not covered by Mr. Barker in his letter, the country lying to the east of Edmonton along the lines of the C.N.R. and the G.T.P. This is particularly gratifying in view of the large number of new-comers who are settled there and to whom a good year means so much. Around Vegreville for instance out cutting commenced at the end of last week and considerable wheat has been cut this week, and Vegreville is typical of a wide stretch of country.

A note-worthy development, so far as the Edmonton country is concerned, is the large amount of winter wheat that is being cut in this season. The farmers have no idea of going into winter wheat to such an extent as to interfere with the general system of mixed farming which is characteristic of the district but hereafter they will make a place for it in the regular rotation of crops. That's what last year is showing good results. The first to reach the city was that from the Henry Fraser's farm at Winterburn, where he has 130 acres sown. A sample was available on Monday.

There seems to be some doubt about what Mr. Wm. Mackenzie said during his visit to Edmonton at the first of the week as to the plans of the C.N.R. in connection with the invasion of the northern country. One report was that the line north of Morinville would turn in a north-westerly direction towards Peace River Crossing and not go to Athabasca Landing at all. The other was that while this line would be as well, the line to the Landing would be as well. The latter is in accordance with the programme outlined at the time of the bringing down of the government's railway policy.

Excavation commenced last week for the G.T.P. shops and they are located at the west end of the company's property. The buildings that will be constructed right away will cost \$75,000. These will be added to time to time.

When Mr. Chamberlain of the G.T.P. was in Calgary the other day he made the statement that his line would be running into Calgary next year. When he saw the deputation from Wainwright he surprised them by saying that he never contemplated the running of the branch line to Calgary from that point. But, as the Wainwright citizens point out, it is unquestionable that it was freely announced that their town would be the starting point and that it has hardly been fair to allow them to proceed for this length of time on that assumption.

Vegreville proposes to loan Mr. Robert Fairbairn, formerly of Strathcona, the sum of \$7000 to enable him to start a flour mill there of 25 barrels daily capacity, with facilities for enlargement to 100.

Mr. F. S. Landstreet, the well-known New York mining engineer, who has been west to the point 60 miles south of the point where the G.T.P. crosses the Pembina, in order to investigate the coal deposits there has returned to Edmonton and is confident as to the quantity and quality of the mineral wealth to be found at that point. There are 30,000 acres which he states will average 25,000 tons to the acre. It will prove good cooking coal, quite as good as that in the Crow's Nest, and should be exactly what is wanted for smelting purposes. Mr. Landstreet is setting on behalf of a syndicate headed by Messrs. Ross and Greenshields of Montreal.

Dr. Falser, of the C.P.R. immigration staff, and Prof. Attolico of New York, have been making a trip through Alberta with a view to making preparations for the arrival of a number of colonies of Italian farmers. The first will be placed in the C.P.R. belt near Calgary.

Senator Roy, who is now on his way home to Edmonton from Paris, has been successful in interesting French capital in Western Canada to the extent of organizing what will be known as the Canadian Mortgage Association with a capital of \$3,000,000.

The Western Canneries at Medicine Hat has been re-organized under the name of the Central Canada Meat Packing Company. At a meeting last week, the managing director, Mr. C. A. Flower, and Mr. S. L.

Morse of London, representing the firm which is under-writing the venture, asked that the concessions formerly granted by the municipality be secured. Mr. Flower took occasion to contradict the report that the company contemplated removing the machinery to some other place. No intention of the kind existed, he stated, amongst the directors and the same directors were acting for the new company as had been with the old one. "We are here and here is where we intend to operate," he stated. The company was now out of the woods and expected the council to meet them halfway in getting matters between the city and the company arranged.

The Vancouver World says: "The second largest realty deal of the season has just been successfully brought to a close in the purchase by a wealthy English banker of the corner property on Pender and Granville streets for the cash price of \$155,000. The building, which is at present occupied by a drug store, a tobacconist, and a butcher's shop, occupies a plot of ground having a 104 foot frontage on Granville streets, and a depth of 50 feet on Pender."

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that all revenue from both passengers and freight that is collected by the company for transportation over the municipal tracks within the city limits will come to the city treasury. This means an additional city service the receipts from which will go wholly to the municipality with no expense being entailed except what it costs to provide electric power for the passage of the company's cars over the city tracks.

Suspicion is created by clause 17 which refers to the possibility of the company's acquiring a private right of way in Edmonton or Strathcona. Just what the import of this is has not been explained as it should be. I presume that it means that certain private lines may be constructed for the purposes of hauling freight to points that the city's tracks do not lead to. But it is expressly stipulated that these lines are not to be run in competition with the city's passenger service.

Another clause objected to is number seven, by which the city has to "make any extension necessary to connect any of the radial lines of the company with the system of the corporation which may be required in either Edmonton or Strathcona."

The Bulletin says in reference to this: "If we allow them to enter the city at all that is a concession of sufficient value as a means of enabling them to run a radial railway system. We should certainly specify clearly where they could enter, and what streets they could traverse and do it in language that the sharpest legal talent could neither misinterpret nor misstate. To do else is simply to turn over the control of our streets to the company."

The Bulletin seems to be unnecessarily alarmed. If the company is to build to the city limits and the city will not allow it to build tracks on its streets, either the company will have to stop at the city boundary, which is of course absurd or the city will have to provide tracks to connect it with the municipal system. If it will pay the company to build a line outside the city limits, it will surely pay the city to have a connecting line within the limits. It should be remembered that the city will secure as much per mile of transportation on the company's cars over the city's lines as the company will over its own lines. Then the city will have the additional profit that arises from such traffic as initiates within the city limits. There is no control of the streets

given to the company. It cannot force the city to build along any street. All that it will have to do is to provide the connection, upon which the whole radial scheme depends.

The technical objection is taken that Edmonton has no right to bisect the Strathcona charter, by undertaking to operate the lines in Strathcona itself and allowing a company to do so outside of the city. I do not profess to be a legal expert but it at least seems reasonable that it should be allowed to do so. It is merely delegating its powers in respect to the outside lines. It is hinted that Strathcona might object to the ratification of the bargain by the Legislature. Why it should do so I cannot understand. That city would be in exactly the same position under this proposed as if Edmonton had undertaken to build and operate the radial lines itself.

The first through passenger train over the G.T.P. from Winnipeg to Edmonton reached the C.N.R. station on Friday afternoon last, with General Manager Chamberlain and other officials aboard. It is expected that Sir Charles Dwyer Wilson and party will be here about the first of the month. The plan of having his visit timed for the date on which the laying of the corner stone of the new parliament buildings will take place did not come to anything unfortunately.

In connection with this ceremony, would it not be a wise and a graceful thing to invite Lord Strathcona to be present. He will be in Winnipeg about that time and could probably be induced to make the trip. He would be given a very hearty welcome.

The death of Mr. E. L. Burdett of Lloydminster, who was struck by lightning in Edmonton at the time of the fair, has occasioned much regret. When he left the hospital in Edmonton it was thought he had fully recovered.

President Tory of the University has returned from England, where he made purchases for the chemical laboratory to be established this year, as well as for the University library. The institution over which he presides will, it is expected, show considerable expansion in its work during the coming year.

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THE MIRROR

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ward in a hospital a little child addressed her as "nurse." "You should not say 'nurse,' you should say 'your Grace,'" remarked an official of the institution. Immediately the little girl clasped her hands, closed her eyes and said, "For what we are about to receive may we be truly thankful. Amen."

HOME AND SOCIETY

To London Town from Babylon
The pageant of the world goes by
For you, for you, I pause and con-
on August 3rd.

Mr. and Mrs. Lindsay of Brisbane, Australia, are occupying the Dawson residence, Fifth street, during Mrs. Dawson's absence at her summer home at Gull Lake. Mrs. Lindsay is a cousin, I believe, of Mrs. Dawson, and those who have had the pleasure of meeting her have found her a delightful visitor.

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. McLean of Strathcona have announced the engagement of their daughter, Gladys, to Mr. Harry Madill of Winnipeg. Since Miss McLean's debut a year or so ago, she and her sister Mrs. Alan Fraser have been sister belles at all the dances and other social functions at the Capital, and her departure after her marriage during the coming winter, will remove from the Twin Cities one of the very prettiest girls.

Mr. Madill has a host of friends in Edmonton who will join in congratulating him, extending best wishes to his fair fiancée, on this happy announcement.

Miss Pat Matheson's (one can not write it "May" lest her friends shouldn't know who was meant) marriage to Mr. W. C. Whitfield has been set to take place on the 8th of September, the ceremony taking place very quietly in the church at six-thirty in the morning. After a honeymoon at the coast she and her husband will take up their residence in Mrs. Twyford's pretty cottage at the foot of Fourth street.

Fortunately her marriage will not deprive Edmonton of this extremely popular girl, whose friends are only to be gauged by the number of those who have the delight of knowing her. All happiness to her and the lucky man who has won her.

Mrs. Hugh Campbell who recently accompanied her parents on a trip to the Coast, returned on Monday afternoon, after a most enjoyable visit.

Dr. and Mrs. Duncan Smith have taken a very comfortable house on 13th street, a few blocks north of Jasper, and will move in shortly.

Mrs. Cross and her children returned from a holiday in the mountains on Monday.

I have heard the most charming thing about the Flower Show which took place in Calgary last week with much eclat. Exquisite flowers, the attendance of the smart world of Calgary and many visitors and flower lovers, combined to make it an event of delight and importance. Indeed it made such an impression on one visitor from Strathcona that she has returned to town determined to see a Horticultural Society launched in the Twin Cities. Perhaps there is one already—who knows? At any rate associations seem to be born but to die in Edmonton, so many new ones of interest crop up to smother those that have preceded them. Less organizing and more work then would seem to be a good motto for us to follow, and let the testimony of beautiful school grounds, gratefully shady parks, fine private

grounds and lovely Flower Shows stand a record to what the society can accomplish in place of dreary minutes of interminable in-door meetings.

While many prominent hostesses are announced as soon to return to town, I hear of quite a number of others planning to go away. Next month Madame Cole and her infant son expect to go east to visit her parents, and Madame Thibault is also planning a trip to Montreal and other eastern cities.

I see that Mr. and Mrs. Tighe are home from their honeymoon, returning last Friday. The marriage, which was a very quiet one, was celebrated in St. Hyacinthe, Que., on August 3rd.

Mrs. Tighe, who, as Miss Pagnuclo, was so much admired when she resided in Edmonton with her parents, will be a distinct acquisition to the young married set of the Capital. Mr. and Mrs. Tighe will take up their residence in the cottage at present occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Spratt on Victoria Ave, when they move into their new house on the brow of the hill at 13th street.

Mr. and Mrs. Muir Frith have moved into their new home in the far West end, and are busy getting comfortably settled.

Miss Kate Houchier spent last week-end in Red Deer, returning to town on Wednesday.

Mr. R. N. Frith of Toronto is visiting his brother, Mr. A. M. Frith of the Burnham-Frith Electric Co. Mr. Frith is looking over the West, especially Alberta, with a view to settling.

Senator and Mrs. Archibald Campbell of Toronto have been paying a visit to their daughter, Mrs. James E. Walbridge, Victoria Avenue.

The engagement is announced in Toronto of Mrs. A. W. Mackenzie, daughter of the late Mr. Angus Kirkland, to Mr. Kenzie Reed Marshall, eldest son of Mr. Noel Marshall.

Mrs. W. B. L. Donald, Lesser Slave Lake, who has been visiting Edmonton and Fort Saskatchewan for several weeks, left this week by stage for Athabasca Landing for her home.

An event which aroused much interest in Edmonton was the marriage on Wednesday of Miss Edith Bellamy, the talented daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Bellamy, Second street, to Mr. C. C. Sinclair of Winnipeg. The ceremony was performed by Rev. F. W. Patterson in the First Baptist church, which was handsomely decorated. Mr. V. P. Hunt presided at the organ. Only immediate relations and a few friends were present. The bride, who was given away by her father, was unattended. Her gown was a charming one of white duchesse satin, made princess, and without trimming, save a lace berthe, a coronet of orange flowers, and a tulle veil completing the costume. The bouquet was of white roses falling in a shower and was tied with streamers of white satin ribbon.

A reception followed at the home of the bride's parents. The honeymoon will be spent at the Coast. Mrs. Sinclair's going-away costume was of green Rajah silk with large burnt straw hat and green trimmings.

At a meeting presided over by Mr. John A. McDougall M.P.P., at the Y.M.C.A. on Monday night, a branch of the Aberdeen Association, a body organized by Lady Aberdeen with the object of providing good literature to settlers in outlying parts of the country, was organized under very auspicious circumstances.

Mr. L. J. Burpee, the general secretary, was in the city for the purpose of bringing about the organization. The following officers were chosen:

President, Mrs. Bulyea; first vice-president, Mr. John A. McDougall, M.P.P.; second vice-president, Mrs. Beck; secretary treasurer, Mr. John Blue.

The principal object in forming an association in Edmonton is that the central association at Ottawa may be better advised as to the needs and conditions of this portion of the country where it is recognized that settlement is extending more rapidly than in any other part of the west and there is an opportunity for useful work among those who endure the privations of pioneering. The association has succeeded in forming free libraries in many places. The literature is the gifts of friends all over Canada and the Old Country where the association is patronized by the Victoria League. It is the intention of the Edmonton branch to commence at once to gather such literature in the way of papers, magazines and books as may be donated by the citizens to supplement the gifts from the central association. The various

churches of the city have done considerable work in this respect already and it is hoped that the Aberdeen association will consolidate and enlarge it commensurate with the needs of the frontier settlements. The association solicits gifts from the citizens which may be left at the office of McDougall and Secord, Jasper Ave.

Mrs. Hardisty, whose generous placing of her fine grounds at the disposal of more than one organization this summer, has done so much to ensure their success, has again kindly offered the loan of them for a tea in aid of the Y.W.C.A. on Wednesday afternoon next. Admission will be 25c, and all everybody having the good of this excellent cause at heart will be made cordially welcome. I don't need to point out at this time how much every little aid helps. If everyone who can go, doesn't trust to some other to take her place, a very generous sum could easily be realized by Wednesday's little social function.

Among the recently-arrived visitors from the east is Miss Lulu

Fraser, who has been spending several weeks with Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Munson of Fort Rouge, Winnipeg. While in Edmonton, Miss Fraser will be the guest of her cousin, Mrs. D. Macdonald, of 'Glencee'.

If anyone was in doubt this week where to lay their hands on their friends, a visit to Wonderland solved the problem. Night after night, dinner over, one just naturally took the notion to have another peep at the amusing Little Midway, and performance after performance, I saw the same well-known people doing the circus end of it. The lights, the crowd, the reminiscent flavor of The Pike and Midway Pleinance of happy memories; the festive, light-hearted gaiety of the place, were irresistible drawing cards and for the six days we have carnival and forgotten as much as we might the crops and plows.

One afternoon I had the interesting experience of interviewing the Lion Lady. One may learn a great many wonderful things from a woman who faces death on an average four times a day. When in addition death takes the shape of tremendous

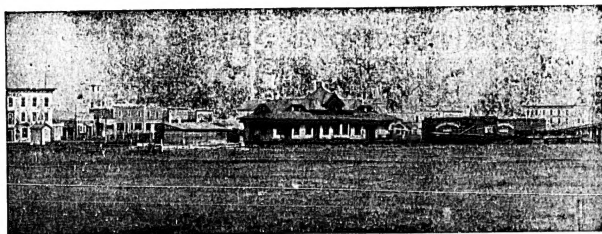
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Home and Society.

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wild beasts with yellow-green eyes and hungry jaws, you may take it as said, such a person has something in her worth investigating. Next week perhaps I shall tell you, as much at least as I have learned, of how Daniel felt when he had his novel little experience a few centuries ago. Mademoiselle Altmore does the same little turn three and four times a day on an average.

On Tuesday afternoon a little gathering of well-known women had an afternoon bridge in aid of the Croche, when something like fifteen dollars was realized on behalf of that very deserving charity. Everything was conducted along the simplest lines, refreshments, etc., the object being to make, not spend, the money taken in. Among the players were three or four out-of-town visitors, Mrs. Lindsay, Mrs. Murton and Mrs. Stephen.

There are several small card parties on the tapis for the coming week, of which more anon.

Owing to hard luck one way and another the tennis players who journeyed to Calgary last week to take part in the tournament, failed to lift so much as one little baby mug. Of course they and their friends were disappointed, but mayhap on home courts, when the Edmonton tourney comes off in the Fall, we will hear another tale. In this hope let us conquer.

On Monday evening Mrs. Donald W. Macdonald entertained at an impromptu evening bridge. "Glencoe" being gaily en fête with softly shaded lights, and the most exquisite flowers, mostly pale pink poppies, arranged in charming fashion.

Mrs. Macdonald has the rare gift of knowing how to dispose of flowers to the best advantage, applying with consummate taste the Japanese maxim to make every blossom stand out with the same individual grace and beauty it would in its native setting. I think the expression runs poetically "to have them appear as if the wind had just carefully passed over them." On Monday the entire floral decorations carried out this idea, with telling effect.

Mrs. Macdonald received her guests in a most becoming parlour, silk gown with jet buttons and cream lace garniture. Play took place in the drawing rooms, five tables engaging in play, while a number of non-players dropped in during the evening and enjoyed a chat on the verandah.

About half past eleven a dainty supper was served and the two pretty prizes awarded: Mrs. Dickens and Mrs. Forsyth carrying off the honors, top and consolation. Among the guests I noticed: Mrs. Bower Campbell, Mrs. H. C. Wilson, Mrs. Murton, Mrs. McMahon, Mrs. Kirkpatrick, Mrs. Saunders, Mrs. Aylwin, Miss Crosskill, Mrs. Harwood, Mrs. Keith, Mrs. Dickens, Mrs. Anderson, Miss Brown, a sister of Mrs. E. B. Edwards who is at present visiting her, Miss Violet Wilson, Miss Snowden, Miss Tilley, and Miss Pilot.

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BORN.

Richards. At Stratheona, on August 14th, to Mr. and Mrs. Jns. E. Richards, a daughter.

Thom. At Edmonton, Saturday, August 14th, to Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Thom, Ninth street, a son.

Athletics

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It looks like a finish in the Western Canada league in very much the same order as has prevailed for two months past. McNamee's double defeat by Brandon on Tuesday weakened it a trifle, but it still has a lead of about 30 points on Winnipeg. Edmonton's position gets more hopeless all the time. Their winning streak by Regina on Wednesday, 18-6 and 7-3 on the Edmonton grounds was about the finishing stroke. Calgary by defeating Moosejaw 12-3 jumps into third place.

The New York Giants are doing fine work in the National. They are a strong third but it is only by an unlooked for series of losses on the part of Pittsburgh and Chicago that they have a chance for the championship. Their winning three out of the four games in the Chicago series helped quite a bit. On Wednesday they beat Philadelphia, Pittsburgh and Chicago each winning once. In the American Detroit has fallen from the position at the top which it has held all season. Philadelphia is now in the lead and going strong.

COVER POINT.

Here and There

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ness or sensitiveness is first incutated meanness or bad bringing up, as often as not, and should be spanked out of him. There is nothing so good, the old ladies say, even for babies that cry, as the application of a counter irritant in the shape of the back of a hair brush smartly applied. And the laying of hands in a practical way is becoming a lost art. What we want is a crop of good, straight, plucky honest boys that will tell the truth even if they have to burn off a hand as a penalty. Could we but return to the outlines of the Spartan idea it might be a little heaven that would leave the whole lump.

We talk of reform, we talk of prohibition, but these will be difficult years by year, if not impossible to carry out, if we cannot return to plain truth and common honesty, as understood by our fathers. When affidavits become a joke and false witnesses are heroes what chance have we of enforcing prohibition, as we are beginning at the wrong end and making more and bigger liars every day?

It is because the little male animals we call boys do not get their proper share of spanking that the race is being weakened. They are not taught to mind and are a nuisance to their parents and their neighbors. If they get out of a mess by telling a lie they are "smart." The little animals if they lie should be well whipped and put on a bread and water diet for a week or two, so if they did not know what truth was they would learn the consequences of a digression therefrom.

Boys by nature, as a rule, are not liars and do not admire the mean ones in their own brigade, if left to themselves, but if older people have no standards as the boys develop out of the knickerbocker age they acquire the ways of their parents. The sense of justice in a kid is keen, and one or two sharp lessons administered in the right way may be lessons for life.

I like nice boys but they need spanking at times and they know it. (Of course they are not going to ask to be spanked if they don't want it, but they bear you no ill-will if they get a dose when they deserve it and will thank us for it later.) The result of not properly spanking boys when they need it at home results in their running butt up against the law; and the police court is a poor place in which to try to train a kid. The small boy that smokes cigarettes before his time and deals in illicit liquor should be spanked by his parents, and if they won't do it then the law should be set to work to spank the parents for not spanking the kids and the root of the evil will have been reached.

Moral suasion may be good but a boy never really understands moral suasion half as well as if it is accompanied by some outward and visible sign of corporal punishment. I hear the exclamation of fond parents, but luckily, my hair is thin and gray so it will not yield

many mementoes if vigorously pulled, at least not enough to go round.

It is considered a great merit now-a-days in many places not to have ever used liquor or tobacco and this is supposed to be a great advance in morality. No doubt 't is, but, the object, as I understand it, of stamping out liquor and tobacco is to lessen crime, and if so why do so many total abstainers lie and steal, or graft, which is stealing. Personally I would rather have a man that drinks and does not steal and lie, than a man who is a prominent total abstainer and does graft, lie or steal. The first is unfortunate, the latter a canting humbug whose children will probably take after him.

We need honest parents who spank their boys well when they sin.

J.C.O.

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Bishop—At Gull Lake on August 17th, Lloyd Harnell, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. T. Bishop, Edmonton, aged five years.

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